

2021 Youth Flag Football Information Sheet



1. Leagues Offered & Eligibility

□ Coed 5-6 □ Coed 7-8 □ Coed 9-10 □ Coed 11-12 □ Coed 13-14

The child's age on June 1, 2021 determines the division of play.

5-6 & 7-8 Divisions

These divisions are designed to introduce players to organized sports and begin developing fundamentals for each specific sport. Rules are modified to present the optimum playing experience for novice participants.

9-10 Division

This division builds on basic fundamentals of a given sport. Rules are slightly modified to present optimum playing experience for participants with limited exposure.

11-12 & 13-14 Divisions

These divisions are designed to promote teamwork, sportsmanship and advance fundamental development. No rule modifications.

2. How much will it cost to register my child?

Resident of Kannapolis \$40 Non-Resident \$60

Online registration is highly recommended.

Cash, checks and credit/debit cards are accepted. Please make checks payable to: City of Kannapolis Financial Assistance is available.

3. When / where can I register?

Registration will begin June 14 and end July 31.

Online: www.kannapolisnc.gov/parksprograms (RECOMMENDED)

City of Kannapolis Parks & Recreation office, 401 Laureate Way, Kannapolis, NC 28081

Parks office open Monday-Friday, 8:30am-5pm

4. What is included in the registration fee?

Jersey, Practices, Games, Physical Exercise

5. What equipment will my child be using?

Youth footballs and flag belts will be provided by KPRD.

Cleats are optional but recommended. No metal or baseball/softball cleats are allowed.

6. When is the parent meeting?

There will be no in person parent meeting, but parents are required to watch the parent's video posted on our website for additional information and what to expect from this program. The parent's video will be posted the week of August 2.

7. How to be a coach?

We need your help!! Potential coaches must be 18 years or older, fill out a volunteer coach's application, pass a criminal background check and sign the Coaches Code of Conduct. Approved coaches must attend a mandatory coaches meeting (may be virtual or required to watch coach video) and will be given a photo ID Coach badge. Coaches are required to wear their ID badges at all practices and games. Completion of paperwork does not guarantee a coaching position.

8. Skills / Evaluation / Draft Assessment Information

Skills assessments and draft days are to be determined but will possibly take place during the weeks of August 9 & 16. You will be contacted by our office if skills assessments are scheduled. If no skills assessment are conducted, then all players will be randomly assigned to teams.

9. When will I be contacted?

You will be contacted by your coach after player team assignments sometime between August 19-22. Please allow volunteer coaches time to contact each participant before contacting our office on August 23 for team information.

10. How many practices will my child have per week?

Teams will have one practice per week (lasting one hour) starting the week of August 23.

11. When / where will games be played?

Games will be played on Saturdays beginning September 11 and conclude on October 30. Depending on schedules and field availability some weeknight games may be necessary. Practices and games will be played primarily at Safrit Park located at 1314 Bethpage Road. Additional Kannapolis parks, City schools and nearby Cabarrus County schools or facilities may be utilized if registration numbers dictate the need.

12. Team Pictures

Team and individual pictures opportunities will be available. Days, times and locations will be announced once scheduled.

13. Inclement Weather Hotline

In the event that we encounter inclement weather, the weather hotline 704-920-4344 will be updated. The Parks & Recreation Department has until 4pm to make weather related decisions for weeknight activities. Any time school is cancelled because of inclement weather, all practices and games scheduled for that day at all sites are cancelled. If school is cancelled on a Friday because of inclement weather, games scheduled for the following Saturday are also cancelled.

14. Sponsorship

Sponsorship opportunities are available. Please visit www.kannapolisnc.gov for additional information.

15. Special Request

Requesting a particular coach, teammate or practice night does not guarantee that request, but staff will do all they can to help grant a request or accommodate a conflict.

16. Additional Information

- * The CDC recommends that anyone who has not been fully vaccinated against COVID-19 should continue to wear a mask and maintain social distance.
- * Participants, spectators and coaches are welcome to wear masks if they prefer.
- * Anyone who is showing signs of COVID-19, been told to quarantine or been exposed to COVID-19 should not come to practice or games until the proper quatantine time has passed.
- * Spectators are asked to bring their own chairs.
- * All water bottles, snacks or any additional items should be clearly marked with the child's name.

17. For information please contact:

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